

### REMARKS

There are now pending in this application Claims 1-36, of which Claims 1, 11, 19, and 29 are independent. Claims 19-36 are newly added. No claims have been cancelled.

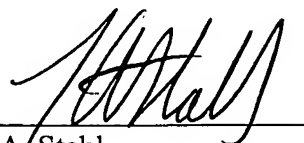
This is a continuation of an allowed application. The abstract has been amended to address the informalities therein and certain of the currently pending claims have been amended solely to improve upon their form. It is respectfully submitted that Claims 1-18 remain in condition for allowance.

Applicants submit herewith replacements sheets for Figures 10-13. These replacement drawings are being presented in accordance with the Examiner's requirements. Favorable consideration is respectfully sought.

By way of this Preliminary Amendment, new Claims 19-36 have been added. Favorable consideration is respectfully sought.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Stahl', written over a horizontal line.

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